Wiki mini-lesson – how to use wikis (wikipages)

Before Lesson: teachers need to set up user accounts for each student. (note only 100 students at a time) this link will give you step by step instructions on how to set up student accounts <http://help.wikispaces.com/Help.Wikispaces.Teacher+Help>

Objectives: The students will understand the editing tools to create a wiki

Technology Standards: 1.1, 15.1, 26.1, 28.1, 30.1, 41.6, 43.2, 43.6, 43.6, 50.1, 50.3, 58.9, 58.10, 64.1, 64.2, 67.1

Resources: wikispaces.com, internet explorer

Terms Used:

Outcomes: The students will create a wiki page.

Step by Step Lesson:

1. Show the teachertube – Wikis in Plain English <http://www.teachertube.com/viewVideo.php?video_id=20514&title=Wikis_In_Plain_English>
2. Slide show tutorials : <http://www.emints.org/ethemes/resources/S00001969.shtml>

<http://www.slideshare.net/cliotech/wikispaces-tutorial-06220?from=email&type=share_slideshow&subtype=slideshow>

1. Have the students log in with their user name and password

* Students will go to your wiki page
* Click “sign in” in the top right side
* Type in username and password

1. Once logged in they need to create a new page.

* Click on the “new page” icon
* Give the page your first name and last initial – all one word, no space
* Click save

1. Once saved the new page will come up. It should be edit mode. If not have students click the edit button in the right hand top screen.

* The students need to type five fun facts about themselves.
* Make #1 bold (highlight the words, click the “B” box in the edit tool bar)
* Make #2 italic (highlight the words, click the “i” box in the edit tool bar)
* Make #3 your favorite colors (highlight the words, click the “T” box in the edit tool bar, then click the “text color” bar, choose color)
* Make #4 Bigger than the others (highlight the words, choose a larger heading in the drop down menu)
* Make #5 Smaller than others (Highlight the words, choose a smaller heading in the drop down menu)

1. Insert a picture

* Click the box in the edit tool bar that looks like a framed picture
* Choose the “upload file” tab
* Choose upload button
* The students should have a picture saved from the computer introduction lesson saved on shared drive.
* Choose a picture
* Click the insert file tab. Choose “embed picture” file from drop down menu on right
* Click on picture
* The picture will be on the page and a new “box” will appear. They students need to adjust size of picture by clicking the + and – buttons
* Choose an alignment from drop down menu
* Now choose save on the edit menu.

1. Embedding video (7th and 8th grade)

* Open another internet tab/window.
* Go to teachertube.com
* Choose a video and double click
* On the right side of the video there is a “address” under “embeddable player”
* Double click the address and copy. (ctrl v or right click copy)
* Now on the wiki click the edit button
* Choose the “TV” on the edit tool bar
* When the widget screen appears, choose video
* Click the teacher tube icon
* Paste the “embed” link in the box at bottom of the widget screen
* Click save
* Should have a box that says “widget” or “other widget”
* Click save on the edit tool bar

1. Insert link (external)

* Have the students open a web page in another tab/window. (something as simple as msn)
* Get them to copy the address
* Click edit and open the edit tool bar.
* Click the box that looks like a chain link
* Choose the “external links” tab
* Give it the name “my first link” in the text link box
* Paste the link from website in the address box
* Check “new window”
* Click add link

1. Insert link (internal)

* Click edit tool bar.
* Click the box that looks like a chain link
* Choose the “wiki link” tab
* You will link to the person to your right’s wiki. If no one is to your right, choose someone else.
* The “link text” will be the person’s first name who you are linking to
* At page name choose that person’s wiki page on the drop down menu
* Check new window
* Click add link

1. Log out

* Click “log out” at top right corner